

HOUSE BILL 9043

By Ragan

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29
and Title 39, relative to disclosure of COVID-19
vaccination status.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, is amended by adding
the following as a new part:

(a) It is an offense for a person or entity, with knowledge that an individual
objects to disclosing the information, to intentionally require that an individual disclose
whether the individual has received a COVID-19 vaccination:

(1) As a condition of employment; or

(2) In order to enter any building, facility, or property that is generally
open to the public.

(b)

(1) A first violation of subsection (a) is a Class C misdemeanor.

(2) A second violation of subsection (a) is a Class B misdemeanor and
shall be punished by a fine of no less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

(3) A third or subsequent violation of subsection (a) is a Class A
misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of no less than two thousand five
hundred dollars (\$2,500).

(c) It is an exception to the application of subsection (a) if the disclosure is
required by a healthcare provider who is providing treatment to the person that is being
required to disclose.

(d) As used in this section, "COVID-19" means the novel coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2, and coronavirus disease 2019, commonly referred to as COVID-19, including any mutation of SARS-CoV-2 or COVID-19.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect January 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it.